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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A control panel assembly of a home appliance, the

assembly comprising:

a control panel having a curved contour;

a display panel having a portion that follows the curved contour of said control panel; and

a fused planar contact between said display panel and said control panel, wherein said

display panel is provided with a first interlocking part along one edge and said control panel is

provided with a second interlocking part that receives the first interlocking part.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The assembly as claimed in claim 12, wherein the first

interlocking part of said display panel includes a protrusion and the second interlocking part of

said control panel includes a recess.

4. (Original) The assembly as claimed in claim 3, wherein the protrusion and recess

each have a triangular cross-section.

5. (Currently Amended) The assembly according to claim $\underline{1}$ 2, wherein the second

interlocking part is adjacent to the curved contour of said control panel.

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6. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 1, wherein said control

panel includes an inclined portion, and wherein the contour of the display panel follows the

inclined portion.

7. (Currently Amended) A control panel assembly of a home appliance, the

assembly comprising:

a control panel including a portion having a nonplanar contour; and

a display panel having a contour that follows the nonplanar contour of the control

panel;

wherein the display panel is secured to the non-planar portion of the control panel by

fused portions, said display panel is provided with a first interlocking part along one edge and

said control panel is provided with a second interlocking part that receives the first interlocking

part.

8. (Previously Presented) The assembly as claimed in claim 7, wherein the

nonplanar contour of said control panel includes a curved contour.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) The assembly as claimed in claim 7.9, wherein the first

interlocking part of said display panel includes a protrusion and the second interlocking part of

said control panel includes a recess.

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11. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 7, wherein the fused portions comprise:

a protrusion disposed on an edge of the display panel that interlocks with a recess of the control panel.

- 12. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 7, wherein said control panel includes an inclined portion, and wherein the display panel contours the inclined portion.
- 13. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 10, wherein the protrusion and the recess have triangular cross sections.
 - 14. (Cancelled)
 - 15. (Cancelled)
 - 16. (Cancelled)
 - 17. (Cancelled)
 - 18. (Cancelled)
 - 19. (Cancelled)